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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

It has come to my attention that there is a push to deregulate network elements for phone and broadband services so that smaller companies may not be able to access network elements that bring us our business phone lines and other services. I live in a small community and I have had to put up with Centurylink, a company who has all but abandoned small communities because they do not generate the money that bigger cities do. Centurylink has eliminated their work force in this area to the point that they have one man covering way too big of an area and there is no way to keep up with any kind of demand. I have worked to rid myself of companies like Centurylink and I am not happy about the prospect of allowing something that would leave only companies like Centurylink with the only alternative to our services. We need competition. PLEASE do not allow the deregulation! If these big companies showed that they care for their employees, customers and communities I would not be so adamant about this issue. I love this smaller company that gives us all of our quality service in this rural area. Please do not take away this quality of life. We can't allow these big companies to monopolize these very important places in our society. It will not be for the people.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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